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NOT A RUNNER.

IMES.—I just dropped ten dollars on a horse named "Dewey!"

SMITH.—Well, you might have known that a horse named Dewey would n't know how to run!

HIS WORDS OF WISDOM.

"IN this life," remarked the Old Codger, philosophically, "we must learn to expect the bitter to come with the sweet; man is not a stringed instrument to be everlastin'ly fiddled on by the fingers of pleasure.

"It takes a certain amount of sorrow to make us appreciate our joys. There would n't be any survival of the fittest if there were no fits. We must learn to take human nature as we find it, and accept it as it is, not as we 'd like it to be; if you lend you lose, and you 've got no occasion for even being surprised — to borrow is human, but to forget to return the plunder is still more human. Train up a boy in the way he should go, and, ten to one, some time he 'll be a goner. We can't expect everything to run our way all the time — there are too blamed many other people in this world, all of 'em with ways of their own.

"The trouble with some of us is that we can't stand prosperity, and with others of us that we can't get any prosperity to stand. One of the great causes of woe and lamentation in this life is that we don't know when we are well off till after it is all over; when a man has money to burn he generally makes light of it. When we are single nothing will do us but we must get married. The less utility there is to a thing the more we yearn for it; also, and merely parenthetically, a rolling stone gathers remorse.

"Instead of heaping together the little ills of existence and making a mountain out of 'em, we should endeavor to get through life as easily as possible, consistent with honor and dignity; — he who talks fight and runs away may live to run another day. We should bear in mind that women, horse-racin', weather bureaus, politics, and nine-tenths of everything else, are always uncertain, and not fix our faith too strongly upon 'em. There always exists for us the consolation that, no matter how bad off we are, there is somebody a heap-sight more unpleasantly situated.

"If we have cares and ills and disappointments and miseries, and are humbled and put-upon and squanched and derided, let us remember that there are others, and be glad thereat. Just think of Dewey and all the bow-legged, gap-mouthed babies, worthless dogs, hair-restorers, bloated water-melons, squint-eyed cats, cheap restaurants, bad cigars, striped shirts, silly songs, and so on and so forth, clear into *ad infinitum*, and then some, that are decorated with the Admiral's name, and then be joyful for what Fate did n't do to us."

Tom P. Morgan.

THE DANGER OF PROSPERITY.

FIRST VEGETARIAN.—I 'm afraid this expansion business is a serious mistake.

SECOND VEGETARIAN.—Why?

FIRST VEGETARIAN.—Well, I understand that one-half the people in our new colonies subsist almost entirely on fruit and vegetables, and I 'm afraid they 'll get into the bad habit of eating meat as soon as they can afford it.

IN FAVOR OF KEEPING IT UP.

JOHNNY.—Papa, will Admiral Dewey stay in this country when he gets here?

PAPA.—I think so. Why?

JOHNNY.—I wish he 'd go away again so we could celebrate when he comes back.

WE EXPECT to beat the Filipinos in the long run, but they have beaten us in a number of short runs.

IF DEWEY were President and we had another war he might, from force of habit, order a coat of war-paint for the White House.

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PUCKOGRAPHS.—XX.

THE EMPEROR OF GERMANY.

INNOCENT CHILDHOOD.

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LITTLE 'RASTUS *(gazing in ecstasy on Farmer Jones's young chickens).*— Say, Pap, how long befo' dem li'l' ones 'll be worth goin' aftah?

DECLINED.

Their spokesman said: "The people's cause
Must get you, if it can,
To head our ticket, sir; because
We know you fear no man!"

He whom they sought then shook his head:
"It's no use, boys, to fret me;
I'd like to run, all right," he said,
"But I'm sure my wife won't let me!"

THE CHILDREN who are willing to be seen and not heard are generally more ornamental in their infancy than in their maturity.

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EVEN A CENTURY AGO.

"Was n't he one of the folks who used to say that the wheeling craze would die out?"

"Yes. Some bicycle fiends heard of that;—and you see the result."

DEVILISH WORK OF TRUSTS.

The Sea Serpent was much nettled upon finding himself superseded at the Summer resorts by the Kissing Bug.

"Of course, I blame the Whiskey Trust!" protested the unhappy saurian. "It would n't take much to make a Populist of me, right now, I tell you those!"

HIS EXCUSE.

MRS. GOOD.—Why will you drink, my friend? Why not welcome Admiral Dewey soberly?

PATRICK MURPHY, U. S. N.—Me good lady, Oi 'm not only welcomin' Admiral Dewey, but Oi 'm dhrownin' me grief. Think av me bein' twinty-wan years in the Nevvy an' missin' the battle av Manila!

SUBURBAN GAYETIES.

"Sidney, let's give a garden-party."

"It will cost a good deal."

"No; only the ice-cream and cake; I've got Japanese lanterns and palms, and that girl next door bangs the piano until long after midnight."

A POSSIBLE EXPLOIT.

JOSH.—Silas is purty slick at horse-tradin'.

HIRAM.—Awful slick! He's 'most slick enough to trade a horse for one of them automobiles.

A BLUNDER.

FIRST BOARDER.—Try some other doctor. Powders does n't know anything.

SECOND BOARDER.—What do you know about him?

FIRST BOARDER.—I went to see him once and he prescribed an appetizer!

A CRITERION.

ASKINGTON.—What makes you so sure that Gabbleby's statement is not true?

GRIMSHAW.—Why, did n't you notice that he began with, "Well, —er—h'm!—fact is—?" Of course, he was lying!

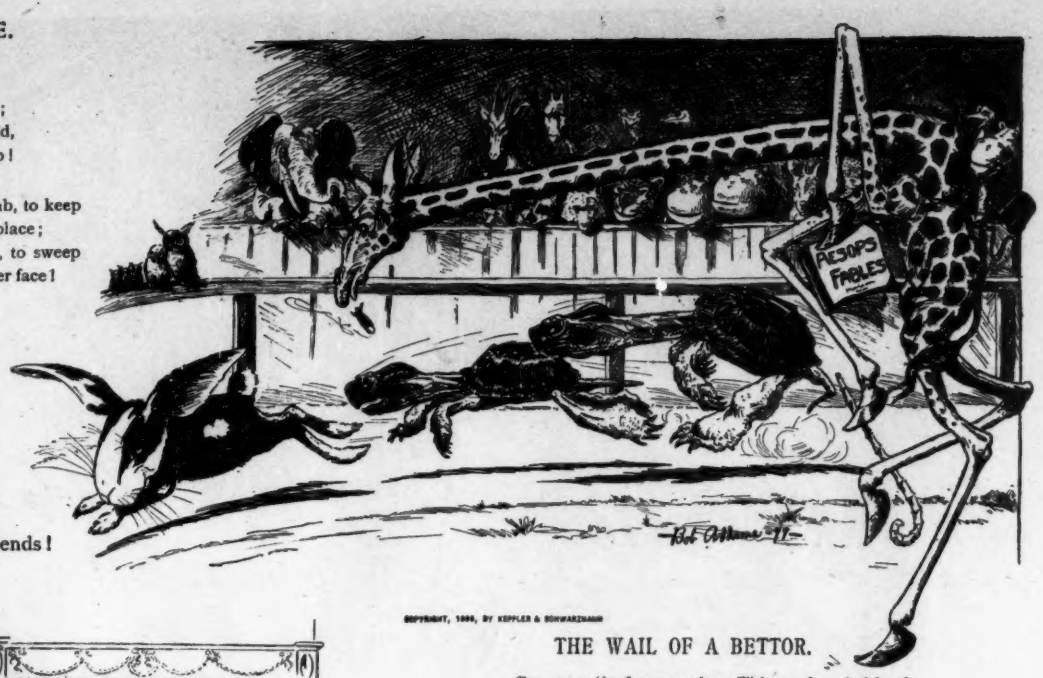
HIS DISADVANTAGE.

Oh! that I were a glove to hold
Her hand, in fervent grasp;
Oh! that I were a girdle's fold,
Her tempting waist to clasp!

Oh! that I were a comb, to keep
Her silky braids in place;
Oh! that I were a veil, to sweep
The soft curves of her face!

Oh! that I were a pair of shoes,
A scarf, a flounce, a fan;
Oh! that I were . . . But, what 's the use?
I 'm nothing but a man!

Madeline Bridges.



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THE WAIL OF A BETTOR.

GIRAFFE *(in foreground)*.— This confounded book gave me a straight tip on the tortoise, and look at that darned hare, by gosh!

QUITE RIGHT.

THE GOSSIP.— "When two or three are gathered together —"

THE GUYER.— Then Heaven help their friends!

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HOW IT WORKED.

MRS. NEWLYWED *(reading)*.— "Love is a balloon that lifts us up to heaven; — marriage is the parachute that brings us slowly back to earth again!"

MR. NEWLYWED *(also reading)*. — "Another parachute horror! Man falls three thousand feet and is dashed to pieces! Same old story! Parachute fails to work!"

THE USUAL WAY.

LITTLE ELMER.— Papa, what does dieting mean?

PROFESSOR BROADHEAD.— Eating less at the table and more between meals.

A MISUSE OF TERMS.

ADA.— And then he threatened to kiss me —

IDA.— H'm! I should n't consider that a threat.

A RABID CASE.

SHE.— Don't you think nations should settle their differences by arbitration?

HE.— Certainly; — if they have no Deweys.

A DREARY OUTLOOK.

SNIFF.— They can't convince me that things are not getting worse. I tell you, I really believe the country is going to the dogs. I 've heard enough harrowing tales of poverty and hard times in the last three months to fairly make a man tremble for the future of our country.

SHAWE.— What 's your business?

SNIFF.— I 'm a book-agent. Been canvassing among the farmers.

TELLING ON HIM.

FIRST PHILADELPHIAN.— You look tired.

SECOND PHILADELPHIAN.— I am; I have had some friends visiting me, and have been sitting up late every day.

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A TRIBUTE TO HIS ELOQUENCE.

"Dat wuz a po'ful appeal yo' made frum de pulpit, Brer Jackson."

"I 'm righ' glad yo' tho't so, Brer 'Rastus. Wuz yo' moved?"

"Yas, sah; mos' po'ful! I had to hol' myself in frum puttin' sumthin' in de contribushun box!"

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DIFFERENT MAKES.

WOGGLEBAUM.—Did you hear dot young Ikey Levy hass gome hack? He has been mit Dewey in Manila Bay making history!

BURNSTEIN.—Vould n't it been better if he had stayed in Baxter Bay making moneysh?

PERPLEXITIES OF EMINENT MEN.

GREAT HERO was on his way home. He was taking his time about it, for he was tired and needed all the rest he could get. It disquieted him to hear that in his native land a thousand babies had been named after him and that his portrait adorned the walls of cigar stores and barber-shops; but he did not hasten. When he learned, however, that he had been nominated for President of the United States his eyes flashed fire. "Holy Smoke!" he cried; "this foolishness must stop!" He bought a patent fool-killing club and started across the Atlantic, full speed ahead.

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The presiding Judge in the Dreyfus trial was sitting in his library after a hard day's work. His ears still rang with the cries of "Judas!" "Liar!" "Traitor!" "*Conspuez!*" which had been passed about so lavishly in the court-room during the day. He was reading some law-pamphlets which a jealous rival had sent him, and which treated of the subject of contempt of court. "I can not understand them!" he exclaimed, as he rubbed his perplexed and troubled countenance; "and, after all"—at this a great peace stole into his soul—"after all, experience has taught us that upon a French military court contempt is thrown entirely away."

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The Emperor of Germany lay upon a plush-covered sofa, idly varnishing the tips of his imperial moustache. "It is all there is left for me to do!" he sighed. "No other path to distinction is unexplored by me now. Am I not as great a poet as I am an admiral?—as glorious an artist as a general?" His secretary bowed; then a brilliant suggestion flashed across his mind. "Sire," he remarked, triumphantly, "why don't you try a season on the American stage? Fame awaits you there, great Hohenzollern—you would be the only Dutch comedian in New York who talks like a German."

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"What a bore this South Africa business is!" said Alfred Austin to the assistant stenographer in the sonnet department. "I think the Poet Laureate should be consulted before England talks of having a war with anybody. I nearly broke my back thinking up rhymes for the names of the places that that man Kitchener captured in Egypt, and now I 'm probably up against it again! Who can make poetry, I 'd like to know, about such sounding things as the Transvaal, or Bloemvonstein, or Zoutfransberg? By George! if it was n't for freezing out Swinburne, I 'd throw up the blooming job!"

Edward Boltwood.

HIS PROGRAMME.

"And if the worst comes to the worst?" said his friend.

"Why, in that case," replied Aguinaldo, "I shall surrender and begin writing for the magazines."

THE STRENUOUS LIFE.

"What does the Secretary of War do, Pa?"

"Well, when he is first appointed he gets his picture in all the papers; after that he makes all the trouble he can, for himself and everybody else."

ADMIRAL DEWEY should be an example to the boys who want to run away to sea. He did n't!

ALTHOUGH THE sun has ceased to set on American soil, the moonlight at the Summer resorts is said to be as enjoyable as ever.

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THE SCOTTISH GAME.

FIRST GOLF GIRL *(in horror)*.—Did you hear him say "damn" just now?

SECOND GOLF GIRL.—Yes; but he at once corrected himself and said "dom!"

IN MANILA.

A maiden made much, in Manila,
Of her modish, man-tailored mantilla;
To her lasting chagrin,
It was not very thin,
And that matters much, in Manila.

HIS ADVICE.

"I HAVE COME to warn you in time."

The managing editor of the great metropolitan newspaper gazed down inquiringly at a small, intensely earnest-looking individual who had just stepped briskly up to his desk, and asked:

"Of what; of what, sir?"

"Of this!" said his visitor, flourishing in his hand a clipping. "Yesterday afternoon, as you will notice by this account, at precisely five o'clock, a man crept into one of the rear windows of my house and took a gold watch and two dollars and fifty cents from my wife's dressing-table."

"Well, sir, what of it?" asked the managing editor, with a gesture of impatience.

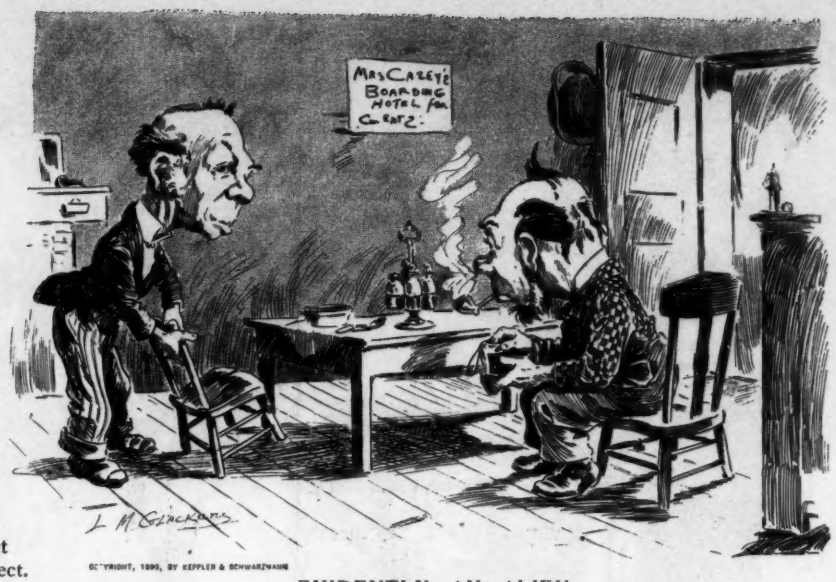
"I want to call your attention," said the other man, "to the fact that the incident, as related in your paper this morning, is entirely correct. My name is spelled right, I actually live at the address given, my business is explained exactly, and down to the minutest detail the whole affair is printed precisely as it occurred. Such a thing, sir, has never before happened in metropolitan journalism. Do you realize what this means?"

The managing editor grew serious and thoughtful.

"What would you advise us to do?" he said at last.

"Deny it!" said the other man. "It is the only thing that will save you. Come out in a leader and say it was all a mistake. Why, sir, if it is ever really believed that you intentionally published an absolutely true account of even such a small matter as this, your circulation will drop off one-half in a week and your contemporaries will never stop guying you."

Tom Masson.



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EVIDENTLY AN ALIEN.

CAHILL.—Has Mike Conners got his citizen's papers yet?
CASEY.—Oi think not; ye nivir hear him cursing the administration.

A TRAGEDY AT CONEY ISLAND.

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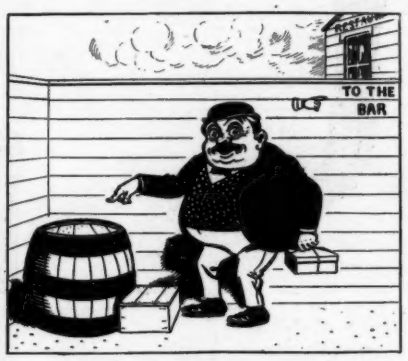
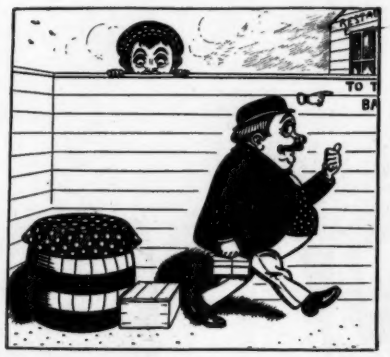
I.
MR. NEWBAUER.—Ach! Dot blaces vas so growded undt noisy I gan't enjoy mein peer undt lunch.



II.
"Himmel! I know vat I do. Here vas von nice quiet corner. I sits me on dot parrel undt enchoys myself.

III.
"Der parrel vas dirty undt dese linen pants vas glean! Ah! I fix him! I schoost spread dot handkerchief over him.

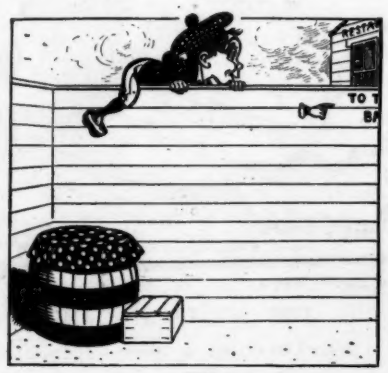


IV.
"Now I goes undt gets me dot stein of peer."

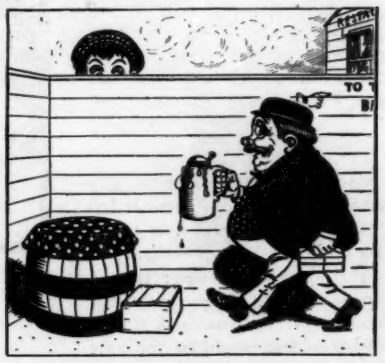
V.
THE INTERLOPER.—Hully gee! Here 's one on de Dutchman.

VI.
"Just as I t'ought. De barrel 's got no head in de odder end.

VII.
"So we 'll turn it up an' spread de handkerchief over dis end.



VIII.
"Here comes the Dutchman back!"



IX.
MR. NEWBAUER.—A-A-A-Ah! Dot vas somedings like. Now for a quiet enchoyments!

X.
"All der gomforts of ——

MUSICAL CRITICISM.

"But you like the march from Tannhäuser?" suggested the Wagnerite.

"Of course!" said the other man. "Wagner wrote some things to show that he could write good music if he felt like it; and he wrote other things to show that he would n't do it if he did n't feel like it."

PROGRESS IS the material result of differences of opinion.

ALMOST EVERY woman believes that she would be beautiful if she had the clothes.

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CARTOONS AND COMMENTS.

To Admiral George Dewey, U. S. N., Greeting:

A LARGE DELEGATION of your fellow-citizens—the number being limited only by the capacity of Manhattan Island—has gathered here to celebrate your return to these shores. In a sense it is composed of instructed delegates: from every part of the land they have come instructed to honor you as no American has been honored these hundred years. They will perform this task with heart-whole earnestness and enthusiasm. They have been storing up energy for it since May 1st, 1898. They will form a gauntlet of exploding patriotism which you will have to run; and from the beginning to the end it will seem to you that the American people have transformed themselves into one great magnetic cheer. You are doubtless aware that a difference of opinion has arisen here concerning the after-effects of your early-morning behavior in Manila Bay; but you will be glad to note that, touching that behavior itself, there is but one sentiment. Lining your march will be Expansionists and anti-Expansionists—men who, in the heat of private debate, would each accuse the other of black treason to the sacred principles upon which this Republic is said to be grounded—but you will not be able to tell one from the other. For the throat of the most ardent Expansionist will dilate not more than the throat of the hottest Anti; the elastic properties of his neck will not be more severely tried, and the subsequent hoarseness of the twain shall be equal. You should take this as a personal triumph. For the ovation that greets you is almost as much a tribute to the private American gentleman, energetic, determined, modest and self-possessed, as to the home-coming conqueror. We are a people quick to make idols; but also quick to unmake them when they talk too much or act foolishly. You have been an idol for seventeen months now, under trying conditions; and the warmth and unanimity of our welcome to you ought to convince you that we think you have been lifted to that estate for life.

THE DETECTIVE INSTINCT. THE DREYFUS trial showed us some ways that were peculiarly French, but it emphasized one, at least, that is common to all of us. It is our invincible belief that we are all natural-born detectives. The man who will confess that he would n't have made a great detective is apt to be weak-minded, if he is not a plain liar. Let a suspected criminal be under investigation and there are few of us who will not build hypotheses as flimsy and far-fetched as those which the French Generals brought against Dreyfus. And the tendency always is to establish the guilt of the suspected one. The problem is not "who is guilty," but "how shall we prove this one's guilt:" A woman was murdered and robbed of considerable money and jewelry in New York a few weeks ago. The killing was done with a hatchet. Her husband was arrested for the crime. There was absolutely no evidence against him, but he was suspected and, so, evidence had to issue. These damaging facts were thereupon pointed out by one of the Yellow Journals: the suspected man was a wholesale fruit merchant; in the course of business he had presumably become dextrous with a hatchet; in going home to kill his wife, therefore, he would be apt to choose that weapon; the blows (so said the Yellow Journal) indicated that they had been inflicted by some one accustomed to handling a hatchet. And straightway a large number of the paper's readers decided that the husband was guilty, and they all felt supernaturally acute. But the husband was n't guilty. The moral is—but, what 's the use?

A GOOD CITIZEN. THE NAME of Vanderbilt is to most people a mere synonym for limitless wealth. Personality is a thing they rarely associate with it. Cornelius Vanderbilt was but a name to them representing the traditional multi-millionaire, purse-proud, hard and grasping. To these people the expositions of Mr. Vanderbilt's character evoked by his death will be news of the most surprising kind. They will learn that he was not a mere accumulator of millions, but a man; a man, moreover, of sterling worth, good heart, much cultivation, and an eminently decent conception of his responsibilities as a citizen and a holder of large wealth. He had such stuff in him that he would probably have acquired wealth even had it not come to him by inheritance. His charities were not flaunted but they were extensive. And he was honestly liked for himself by those who knew him. His death at a comparatively early age is in one respect significant, as indicating, possibly, the enervating effect of great wealth upon succeeding generations. His grandfather died at 83; his father at 65, and he at 56. Does inherited wealth weaken us in the struggle for existence?—is the millionaire's son handicapped? It would seem that our millionaires have something to think about here.

AN INDUCEMENT.

"So Mr. Astor became a British subject?" said Aguinaldo.

"So I hear," said his secretary.

"Well, well! I think I 'll issue a proclamation stating that if any American should care to become a Filipino I 'll make him a duke."

IN CONFIDENCE.

FIRST STATESMAN.—What do you think of the platform? I wrote the plank arraigning the Opposition.

SECOND STATESMAN.—It 's great! It ought to convince any fair-minded man that they are just as bad as we are!

ADDING INSULT TO INJURY.

"So the Congressman turned you down after election?"

"Yes! After I saw him about fifty times about getting a job he said if I'd go out to the Philippines he 'd try to have me appointed Superintendent of Swamps!"

AS TO SPIRITUALISM.

ISAACS.—Some of der meechums vos quite expensif undt odders don'dt sharge more as a quvarter.

COHENSTEIN.—Vell, den, it vos time dot der shpirits or der meechums should form a trusd.

XI.

"—!——!!——!!!—!!!

XII.

"Help! Help! Help!

XIII.

"I tells you how it vas. You see, dose magicians put a cloth over somedings undt say, '*Bresto!*' undt der somedings vat vas under der cloth vanishes. Yah! Vell, dis handkerchiefs must be von magic cloth. I puts him over der head of dot parrel; I leaves him five minutes undt der head of dot parrel vanishes—undt I vanishes mit it."

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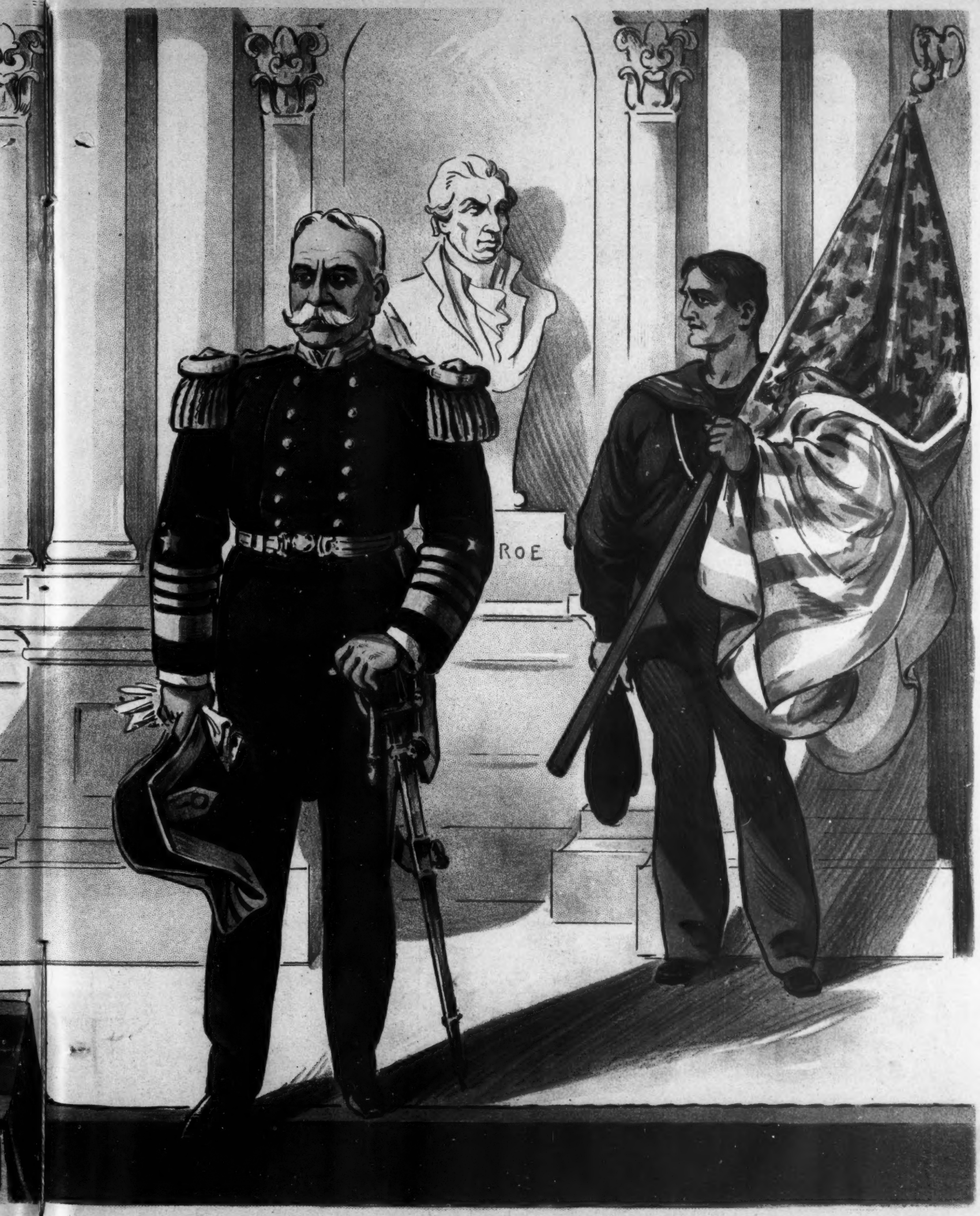
THE HERO OF TH

HISTORY *(to Admiral Dewey).*—I give you a high place on my
a new era for your country.



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OF THE NEW ERA.

high place on my scroll. Like Washington and Monroe you have marked

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BRIGHTENING UP.

WILLY.—I imagine I have bwain-fag.
EDITH.—Nonsense, Willy! That 's the brightest thing I ever heard you say!

A ROMANCE OF LUZON.

PAQUITA was the prettiest Filipino in the town of Angeles, and Juan loved her. He was quite an admirer of brunettes,—there were few, if any, blondes in his circle of acquaintance,—but Paquita may be said to have been his best girl; and she reciprocated his affection.

Now Paquita was a warm partisan of Aguinaldo, while Juan, as the saying is, was not so warm. Many attempts had been made to recruit him into the insurgent army, but he had contented himself with giving the insurrection his moral support. But when, one moonlit night, he asked Paquita to be his, her black eyes flashed fire and she told him to go and be an insurgent and when the last armed foe expired she would marry him. Juan did n't like the outlook; but, reflecting that if he was going to marry the girl he might as well get used to doing as he was told, he went.

* * *

It will be remembered that the town of Angeles remained in the possession of the insurgents for several months after the outbreak of hostilities. Paquita did not hear directly from Juan, and her information of the progress of the war was obtained from Aguinaldo's bulletins. She felt greatly encouraged. The invaders were being beaten seven times a week, and were losing twenty thousand men a month. Their countrymen at home were disgusted with their failure and President McKinley was expected to sue for peace at any moment. Paquita, therefore, was in almost daily expectation of the return of her warrior to claim his bride.

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One day in June, while she was eagerly perusing Aguinaldo's most recent roorback, a footsore and weary insurgent presented himself at her threshold. It was Juan, of course. He was in the white costume of an amigo, having followed the Filipino custom of changing one's clothes after a battle. Paquita rushed forward with a cry of joy, but it occurred to her that Juan did not look much like a winner. He began to explain that Aguinaldo had been defeated.

"How provoking!" exclaimed Paquita. "That breaks the record of sixty-two consecutive victories!"

"Sixty-two what?" inquired Juan.

"Sixty-two consecutive victories. See, here is General Aguinaldo's last bulletin!"

"Oh, yes, of course!" said Juan. And he muttered to himself, "If she believes Aguinaldo she 'll believe anything." And a scheme dawned in his mind.

He explained that the defeat was but a mischance,—the fortune of war—that reinforcements were on the way and that within a few days a determined attack would be made on the Americans who would be driven into the sea. For himself, he could stay but a moment. He must hasten to rejoin his companions.

* * *

A week later he returned. His eye flashed proudly and his chest was expanded. A tremendous battle had been fought, he said; thousands of the enemy had been killed and wounded and the rest captured. It had been his good fortune to save the life of Aguinaldo, who, in gratitude, had promised to make him a colonel. The American Government had cabled a recognition of the independence of the Philippines and he had no doubt that, considering his pull with Aguinaldo, he would be made Ambassador to Washington. The delighted Paquita fell on his neck.

"Why not get married at once?" he suggested, taking advantage of the opportunity. "It will be anticipating matters but a few days."

The ceremony was performed the next day.

* * *

There was a terrible row when Paquita discovered how she had been deceived. Juan took the matter philosophically, reflecting that a married man must expect a row sooner or later. When Paquita's excitement cooled down he explained that if she had carried out her original programme of postponing her marriage until the overthrow of the Americans she would die an old maid. And Paquita is gradually coming around to that view.

THERE WERE A FEW.

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"Whin 't is nicissary," says you, "to save the honor av the Frinch ar-rmy, the dilicate an' dangerous jooty is assoigned in the furst place to three bould gin'rals. Gin'ral A, who is the most fearliss an' inthrepid pinman in the ar-rmy, wroites a saycrit dosher an' Gin'ral B, who is a very divil wit' the ink-bottle, wroites a boorderoo, an' Gin'ral C, a vit'ran oppyrather on the toypewroiter, he projuices a pettit blue. (Ye see, 't is purty har-rd to shteer intoirely clear av pr-ronouncin' the Frinch language, but Oi 'm doin' the best Oi can.) Well, thin, afther wroitin' thim intherestin' an' impor-rtant documints, the three bould gin'rals immayjitly takes their oath thot they did n't. An' thin comes Curnel D, an' dhrawin' his thrusty soord, he cuts the saycrit dosher into little bits, an' Major F does the same thing wit' the boorderoo, an' Capt'in G per-rforms the same hoighly impor-rtant sarvise wit' the pettit blue. An' thin Liftinant M throws ivery wan av thim little bits av paper into the waste-basket. Shure, his job is what the byes call a cinch to that av Sicond-Liftinant N that has to pick thim out av the waste-basket an' put thim togither ag'in, in toime for the coort-martial. Whin he has it done, the nixt stip is for the Ministher av War to call a coort-martial wit' insthructions to thry, an' if convaynient, convict Capt'in X. The furst quischun is whether the coort-martial shall be saycrit or public. Aich mithod has its advantages an' its disadvantages. In a saycrit sission ye can save toime by foindin' the man guilty at wanst. Ye can call the coort to meet at half-past six in the mornin' an' have the rist av the day to yersilf to dhrink yer absinthy an' go to see the latest disriputable far-rce in the avenin'. But, thin, in a public sission, ye have the dayloight av listenin' to all the silver-tongued orators that don't know annything about the case, but attinds the throials to pr-ractise dicclamation an' inthrance the public wit' their illigant spayches. Bedad! if Oi was the Ministher av Joostice in France, Oi wud propose that siv'ral millions av francs shud be appropriated to buy goold midals to be presinted to the most illoquint witness thot appears at aich throial. Public shpakin', bedad! ud resave sich encouragemint as it never had before. But 't is thrue that in France it does n't nade much incouragemint.

"Well, if they daysoide on a public sission, there 's nothin' to do but to call the gin'rals that wrote the saycrit dosher an' the boorderoo an' the pettit blue an' the capt'ins, an' so on, that tore thim up an' pasted thim togither an' let thim swear thot the whole thing was done by Capt'in X, or thot they heerd it was, which is the same thing — in France. An' thin call a few Minishthers av War an' let thim tistify thot they hild office tin days, or two wakes aich, an' thot they have no doubt Capt'in X is the guilty man. An' if there 's anny tistimony in his favor rule it out or listen to it wit' ill-consayled impatience.

"Well, Oi' m free to confiss thot Oi 'm dissapp'inted in the Frinch ar-rmy! Manny's the illigant scrap it has put up in its toime, an', win or lose, it has gin'rally commanded the respict av the wur-ruld in gin-'ral. 'T wud ill become me to forgit the way it wint up, toime an' ag'in, ag'in the English — bad cess to thim! An' often Oi had hopes it moight do it ag'in some toime! But it luks now as if its past was a great dale more important than its future. 'T is to the other soide av the Rhoine thot Oi 'm lukkin' now for somebody to down Johnny Bull. Oh! if Koiser Billy cud jist get a few sample rigimints down to Afriky to give a hand to Oom Paul!"

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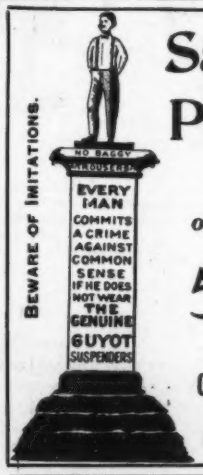

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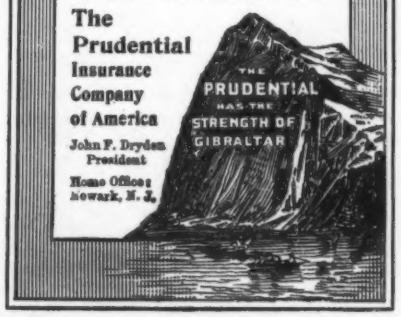

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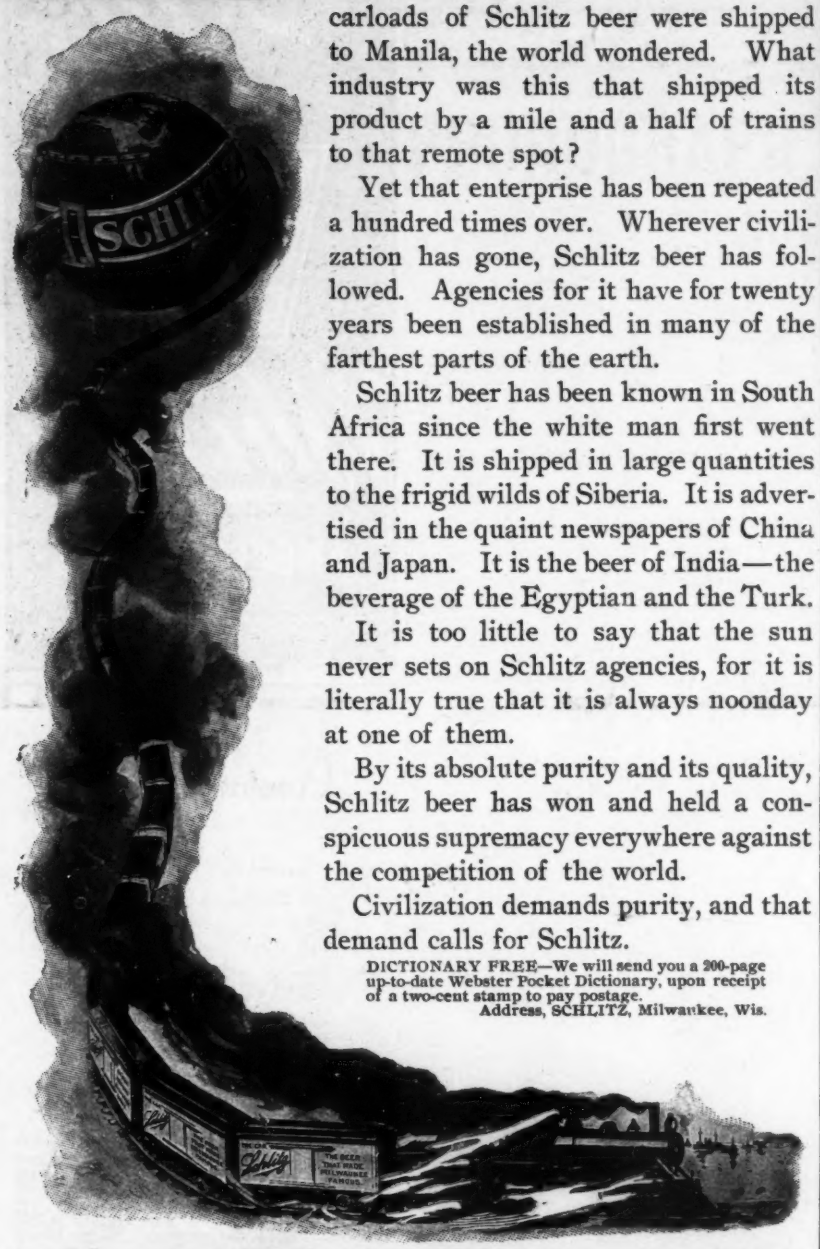

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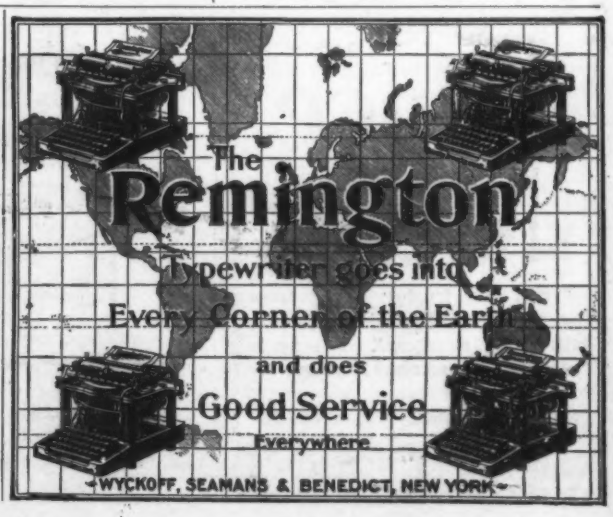

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I 'd only change the name.

J. M.

IN FRANCE.

THE JUDGE.—If the witness knows this of his own knowledge it is ruled out as immaterial and irrelevant.

THE WITNESS.—Sacrebleu! I don't know anything about it! It is only hearsay.

THE JUDGE.—A thousand pardons! If it is hearsay, it is, of course, admitted.

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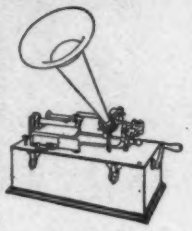

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